

Pallbearers

Ecclesia COGIC Men's Department

Floral Bearers

Family and Friends

Acknowledgement

We, the family of Elder Oliver Leroy Holmes, Sr., would like to thank each of you for the many acts of kindness shown to us, during our time of bereavement. May God continue to bless each of you with His love, grace, and mercy.

Repast

Gladys Kelly Fellowship Hall
Ecclesia Church of God in Christ
533 Sharpe Road
Columbia, South Carolina

Celebrating of Life



ELDER OLIVER LEROY HOLMES, SR.

AUGUST 21, 1937 - MARCH 27, 2022

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2022

1:00 P.M.

ECCLESIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
533 SHARPE ROAD
COLUMBIA, SOUTH CAROLINA

ELDER LUTHER HOLMES
-PASTOR-

Services Entrusted To:

Taylor Street Chapel

1831 Taylor Street
Columbia, SC 29201
(803)771-7799

I. S. Leevy Johnson
-Owner & Director-

Leevy's

F U N E R A L H O M E

Chris Leevy Johnson
-President & Managing Director-

Lower Richland Chapel

9120 Garners Ferry Road
Hopkins, SC 29061
(803) 776-6922

Leverette A. Williams, II
-General Manager-

Obituary

Elder Oliver Leroy Holmes, Sr. was born on August 21, 1937, in Round O, South Carolina. He was the oldest child of the late Lee Holmes and Julia Brown Holmes. He departed this life on Sunday, March 27, 2022, surrounded by his family and friends.

Oliver Leroy Holmes, Sr. was raised in Round O, South Carolina, where he attended schools in Colleton County. He attended Trinity A.M.E. Church. Oliver sought advancement and moved to Orlando, Florida, where he became an entrepreneur. Due to lack of success, he enlisted into the United States Army, where he was allowed to continue his education. He earned his high school diploma and attended classes at Monterey Peninsula College, as well as The School of Technology.

Oliver had many military assignments. While stationed at Fort Rucker, Alabama, he met and married the love of his life, Miss Cordiela Williams. They became the proud parents of five children; Wade, Terry, Sharmaine, Oliver, Jr., and Wendell.

While stationed in Germany, he became the pastor of Wursburg Fellowship in Wursburg, Germany. After six years of ministry, he was reassigned to Fort Dix New Jersey, and continued his ministry under Bishop Courtney. He then was reassigned to Fort Carson, CO, where he retired from the military service.

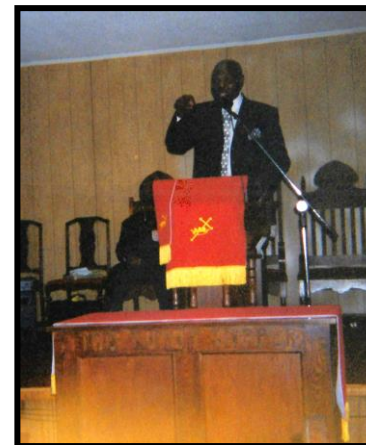
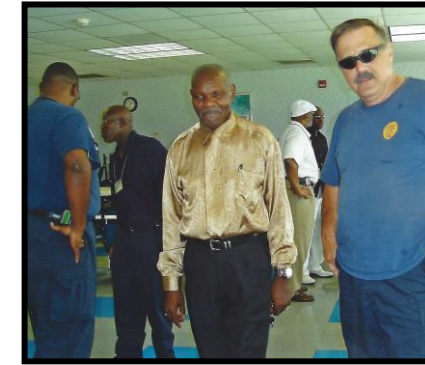
After retirement, he relocated his family to Columbia, SC. He was a member of Ecclesia COGIC, where he served formerly as Asst. Pastor. He was affectionately known as *Senior Statesman*.

After moving to Columbia, Oliver worked with Home Quarters Warehouse, Barton Security, US Marshal Service, and South Carolina Department of Corrections until his final retirement. He also had another entrepreneurial effort called, Tire Town. He was known as *Mr. O*. During his life, he touched the lives of many by helping and doing whatever he could.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lee and Julia Holmes; brothers, Hezekiah, David-Roscoe, and sons, Wade and Oliver Jr.

Elder Oliver Leroy Holmes, Sr. leaves to cherish his precious memory: his wife, Cordiela Holmes; daughters, Terry (Jodie) Williams, of Columbia, SC, Sharmaine (Joseph) White, of Elgin, SC, and Wendell (Jamaya) Holmes, of Sacramento, California; grandchildren, Keith Holmes, of Columbia, SC, Mychal Holloman, of Fort Lee, Virginia, Wilson (Kim) Johnson, of Charlotte NC, Malik Holmes, of Elgin, SC, Latasha (Lazarus) Walker, of Columbia, SC, Crystal Holmes, of Lexington, SC, Startesha Holmes, of Jacksonville, FL, Sarah Geter, of Lexington, SC, and QuWanda Earle, of Columbia, SC; 13 great-grandchildren; 4 great-great-grandchildren; brothers, Harold(Carolyn) Holmes, of Newport News, VA, Benjamin (Eleanor) Holmes, of Valdosta, GA, Cleveland (Betty) Holmes, and Sherman (Emma) Holmes, all of Round O, SC.; sisters, Melissa (Harry) Williams, of Seaside, CA and Patricia Jenkins, of Orlando, FL; and his one beloved 102 year old aunt, Rebeca Clark, of Philadelphia, PA; a host of other relatives, friends, spiritual sons and daughters, all of whom will miss him dearly.

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Order of Service

Bishop Keith A. Kershaw, Presiding

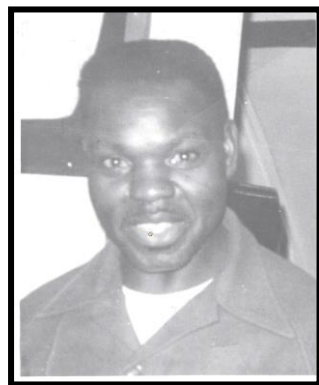
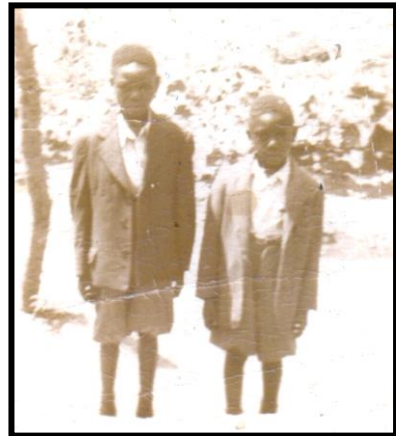
- Prelude
- Processional
- Invocation Deacon Quavon Mitchell
- Old Testament – Isaiah 40: 3 Elder Raymond Cook
- New Testament – I Corinthians 15: 51-58 Deacon Daniel Kenney
- Worship
- Expressions of Encouragement.. Mother Annie P. Moody
Asst. Supervisor Women’s Department COGIC, South Carolina Jurisdiction
- Selection “Thank You Lord”
- Reflections.....(two minutes, please)
Elder Kelvin Felder, Chairman COGIC SC Jurisdiction Council of Pastors and Elders Council
Senator John Scott, SC Senate District 19
Deacon Victor Smalls, Senior Deacon Ecclesia COGIC
- Selection “Help Is On the Way”
- Family Tributes.....(two minutes, please)
Elder Benjamin Holmes, Brother
Mr. Cleveland Holmes, Brother
Mr. Wendell Holmes, Son
- Acknowledgements/Obituary Reading..... Missionary Stephanie Plummer
- Selection..... “Just Another Day”
- Words of Comfort Elder Luther H. Holmes, Jr.
- Viewing Funeral Directors
- Recessional
- Postlude



Committal, Benediction and Interment

12:00 Noon Wednesday, April 6, 2022
Fort Jackson National Cemetery
4170 Percival Road
Columbia, South Carolina 29229

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